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SUBJECT: GOJ PROTEST TO PRC OVER NUCLEAR TEST

SUMMARY: GOJ FOR FIRST TIME HAS PROTESTED DIRECTLY TO
PRC OVER NUCLEAR TEST. PRC REJECTED PROTEST. END SUMMARY.

1. ON JUNE 28 MINISTER HAYASHI OF GOJ EMBASSY PEKING
MADE ORAL PROTEST TO LU OF FONOFF ASIAN BUREAU CON-
CERNING NUCLEAR TEST WHICH HAD TAKEN PLACE JUNE 27.
ON OCCASIONS OF PREVIOUS TESTS GOJ HAD ISSUED STATEMENTS
BUT THIS WAS FIRST TIME FORMAL PROTEST WAS MADE DIRECTLY
TO PRC.

2. ACCORDING TO FONOFF CHINA DIV. HEAD KUNIHIRO,
GOJ PROTEST CONTAINED TWO POINTS: (A) AS ONLY COUNTRY
HAVING EXPERIENCED NUCLEAR BOMB, JAPAN HAS ASKED ALL
COUNTRIES, INCLUDING CHINA, NOT TO CONDUCT NUCLEAR
TESTS. HOWEVER, CHINA HAS AGAIN CONDUCTED TEST, DESPITE
WISH OF JAPANESE PEOPLE AND PEOPLE OF WORLD WHO ARE
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TRYING TO REALIZE PEACE WITHOUT RESORTING TO ARMS. GOJ
THEREFORE PROTESTS. (B) GOJ FEARS THAT BY THIS TEST,
POLLUTION OF AIR WILL BE AGGRAVATED AND MAY DAMAGE LIVES
OF JAPANESE PEOPLE. ALSO FROM THIS STANDPOINT, JAPAN
AGAIN REQUESTS PRC NOT TO REPEAT TESTS OF THIS KIND.

3. IN RESPONSE, LU MADE FOLLOWING POINTS: (A) CHINA
TESTS ARE PURELY DEFENSIVE AND PRC POLICY IS TOTALLY
DIFFERENT FROM US AND USSR WHICH HAVE OFFENSIVE INTENT; (B)
PRC HAS KEPT INVENTORY OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS TO
MINIMUM; (D) PRC POLICY SHOULD BE WELL UNDERSTOOD BY
GOJ BY THIS TIME, AND THEREFORE PRC FIRMLY REFUSED TO
ACCEPT PROTEST BY GOJ.

4. JUNE 29 TOKYO NEWSPAPER EDITORIALS UNIFORMLY CONDEMNED
TEST, SEVERAL ALSO CALLING FOR CESSATION OF NUCLEAR TESTING
BY ALL NATIONS.

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